CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A process for invoking a method of a server object
- 2 in a distributed application in a distributed data
- 3 processing system, the process comprising the computer-
- 4 implemented steps of:
- 5 executing a client object, wherein the client object
- 6 is implemented in a different programming paradigm from
- 7 the server object;
- 8 obtaining an object reference for a remote server
- 9 object;
- wrapping the object reference in an adapter; and
- invoking a method of the adapter.
 - 1 2. The process of claim 1 wherein the adapter uses the
 - 2 object reference to invoke a method of a skeleton on the
 - 3 server.
 - 1 3. The process of claim 1 wherein the skeleton invokes
 - 2 a method of a server object.
 - 1 4. A method for implementing a distributed application
 - 2 in a distributed data processing system, the method
 - 3 comprising the computer-implemented steps of:

- 4 obtaining an object reference for a proxy of a
- 5 server object;
- 6 wrapping the proxy in an adapter; and
- 7 invoking a method of the adapter.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1 wherein the adapter is a Java
- 2. class that implements an interface supported by the
- 3 server object.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1 wherein the server object is
- 2 an Enterprise JavaBean.
- 1 7. The method of claim 1 wherein the object reference
- 2 is obtained from a naming service.
- 1 8. The method of claim 1 wherein the proxy is a Common
- 2 Object Request Broker Architecture (CORBA) proxy.
- 1 9. The method of claim 8 wherein the adapter calls a
- 2 method of the CORBA proxy.
- 1 10. The method of claim 8 wherein the CORBA proxy is a
- 2 Java class residing on a client computer.
- 1 11. The method of claim 8 wherein the CORBA proxy passes
- 2 the method request to an object request broker.

- 1 12. A data processing system for invoking a method of a
- 2 server object in a distributed application in a
- 3 distributed data processing system, the data processing
- 4 system comprising:
- 5 execution means for executing a client object,
- 6 wherein the client object is implemented in a different
- 7 programming paradigm from the server object;
- 8 obtaining means for obtaining an object reference
- 9 for a remote server object;
- 10 wrapping means for wrapping the object reference in
- 11 an adapter; and
- invoking means for invoking a method of the adapter.
 - 1 13. The data processing system of claim 12 wherein the
 - 2 adapter uses the object reference to invoke a method of a
 - 3 skeleton on the server.
 - 1 14. The data processing system of claim 12 wherein the
 - 2 skeleton invokes a method of a server object.
 - 1 15. A data processing system for implementing a
 - 2 distributed application in a distributed data processing
 - 3 system, the data processing system comprising:
 - 4 obtaining means for obtaining an object reference
 - 5 for a proxy of a server object;
 - 6 wrapping means for wrapping the proxy in an adapter;
 - 7 and
 - 8 invoking means for invoking a method of the adapter.

- 1 16. The data processing system of claim 15 wherein the
- 2 adapter is a Java class that implements an interface
- 3 supported by the server object.
- 1 17. The data processing system of claim 15 wherein the
- 2 server object is an Enterprise JavaBean.
- 1 18. The data processing system of claim 15 wherein the
- 2 object reference is obtained from a naming service.
- 1 19. The data processing system of claim 15 wherein the
- 2 proxy is a Common Object Request Broker Architecture
- 3 (CORBA) proxy.
- 1 20. The data processing system of claim 19 wherein the
- 2 adapter calls a method of the CORBA proxy.
- 1 21. The data processing system of claim 19 wherein the
- 2 CORBA proxy is a Java class residing on a client
- 3 computer.
- 1 22. The data processing system of claim 19 wherein the
- 2 CORBA proxy passes the method request to an object
- 3 request broker.
- 1 23. A computer program product in a computer readable
- 2 medium for use in a data processing system for invoking a
- 3 method of a server object in a distributed application in

- 4 the distributed data processing system, the computer
- 5 program product comprising:
- first instructions for executing a client object,
- 7 wherein the client object is implemented in a different
- 8 programming paradigm from the server object;
- 9 second instructions for obtaining an object
- 10 reference for a remote server object;
- 11 third instructions for wrapping the object reference
- 12 in an adapter; and
- fourth instructions for invoking a method of the
- 14 adapter.
- 1 24. A computer program product in a computer readable
- 2 medium for use in a data processing system for
- 3 implementing a distributed application in a distributed
- 4 data processing system, the computer program product
- 5 comprising:
- first instructions for obtaining an object reference
- 7 for a proxy of a server object;
- 8 second instructions for wrapping the proxy in an
- 9 adapter; and
- 10 third instructions for invoking a method of the
- 11 adapter.